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References AP-AR were cited in a Supplementary European Search Report from the European Patent Office in a counterpart European Patent Application No 04792537.5. A copy of that Supplementary European Search Report is provided as reference AS. Therefore, non-English language reference (AR) should be considered. (See MPEP 609.04(a).) Further, a partial English language translation of non-English language reference (AR) is provided.

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